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Please amend the claims as follows:

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1 - 3. (canceled)

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4. (previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said second resource planning process comprises a process of an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) application.

5. (previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said first shopping process comprises a process of a WebSphere™ Commerce Suite of applications.

6. (previously presented) The method of claim 21, including the step of: executing an application for a banking transaction process on the data center host computer system.

7. (previously presented) The method of claim 4, wherein said second resource planning process comprises a process of an SAP™ ERP application.

8. (canceled)

9. (previously presented) The method of claim 21, wherein said second integration process comprises a process of an MQ Series™ of applications.

10 - 13. (canceled)

14. (previously presented) The system of claim 22, wherein said second resource planning process comprises a process of an Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) application.

15. (previously presented) The system of claim 22, wherein said first shopping process comprises a process of an WebSphere™ Commerce Suite of applications.

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16. (previously presented) The system of claim 23, including:
an application stored on the hosting system and operable as banking transaction process
executing on the host computer system.

17. (previously presented) The system of claim 14, wherein said second resource planning
process comprises a process of an SAP™ ERP application.

18. (canceled)

19. (previously presented) The system of claim 22, wherein said second integration
process comprises a process of an MQ Series™ of applications.

20. (canceled)

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21. (currently amended) A method for offering hosting services, comprising the steps of:
 a) hosting a plurality of applications on a host computer system at a data center, wherein
 hosting the applications includes:

executing an application for a first shopping process on the data center host computer
 system, the first shopping process being accessible to shoppers by Internet communications
 wherein the first shopping process performs the step of:

a first hosting service step, the first hosting service step including:

communicating with a first integration process and a first resource
 planning process via Internet communications to transact first sales, wherein the
 first resource planning process is a process of a first resource planning application
 on a host computer system located remotely from the data center and the first
 integration process is a process of a first integration application on a host
 computer system located remotely from the data center;

executing an application for a second resource planning process on the data center host
 computer system, wherein the second resource planning process performs the step of:

a second hosting service step, the second hosting service step including:

communicating with a production process via Internet or dedicated link
 communications, wherein the production process is a process of a second
 production application on a host computer located remotely from the data center;

and

executing an application for a second integration process on the data center host computer
 system, wherein the second integration process performs the steps of:

a third hosting service step, the third hosting service step including:

coupling communications between the first shopping process and the
 second resource planning process to transact second sales;

a fourth hosting service step, the fourth hosting service step including:

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coupling communications between the second resource planning process
 and a second shopping process, wherein the second shopping process is a process
 of a second shopping application accessible to shoppers by Internet
 communications on a host computer located remotely from the data center, the
 communications between the second resource planning process and the second
 shopping process being Internet communications to transact third sales;

a fifth hosting service step, the fifth hosting service step including:

coupling communications between the first shopping process and a third
 resource planning process to transact fourth sales, wherein the third resource
 planning process is a process of a third resource planning application on a host
 computer located remotely from the data center;

and

a sixth hosting service step, the sixth hosting service step including:

coupling communications between a certain process and a third shopping
 process, wherein the third shopping process is a process of a third shopping
 application accessible to shoppers by Internet communications on a host computer
 located remotely from the data center and the certain process is a process of a
 certain application on a host computer located remotely from the data center;

and

b) offering to customers a selection of hosting services, wherein the customers may select
 for the host computer system to perform a hosting service selected from among one or more of
 the first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth hosting service steps.

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